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Annette S. Parent

Dear Examiner Zaghmout:

Per our discussion today, I enclose a supplemental amendment with amended claims. Please call me if you have any additional comments.

Very truly yours,

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and remarks that follow. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 6, 14, and 20 as follows, without prejudice to subsequent revival of the amended subject matter.

All pending claims are provided for the Examiner's convenience.